

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **PETER LEA**)
Serial No: 09/831,966, which is a national)
stage application of)
PCT/CA99/01079 filed on)
November 12, 1999)
For: **DEVICE AND METHOD FOR**)
ANALYZING A BIOLOGIC SAMPLE)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir

Please amend the above-identified patent application on page 1, before "Field of the Invention", by adding the following new paragraph:

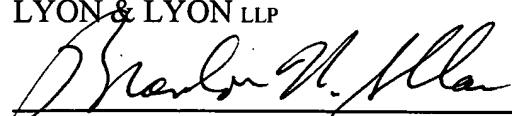
The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S.S.N. 09/335,732, filed on June 18, 1999 (pending)

This amendment is also provided on a separate sheet, attached hereto, entitled "New Paragraph".

Respectfully submitted,

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